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SUBJECT: FY-76 IV GRANT

1. ARS PARIS HEREBY PROPOSES PAUL BERNETEL, EDITOR-IN-CHIEF OF "JEUNE AFRIQUE" FOR AN INTERNATIONAL VISITORS GRANT DURING THE PERIOD JULY 15-31, 1976. BERNETEL WILL BE IN CANDA UP TO JULY 15, AND THE ONLY INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL THAT WOULD BE INVOLVED IN THIS GRANT IS FROM AND RETURN TO MONTREAL.

2. BERNETEL IS THE SINGLE MOST INFLUENTIAL JOURNALIST IN FRANCOPHONE AFRICA, BOTH SUB-SAHARAN AND MAGHREB. HE HAS BEEN BRIEFLY IN THE UNITED STATES BEFORE, BUT ONLY TO COVER UNITED NATIONS DEBATES.

3. FOLLOWING ARE THE PRINCIPAL GOALS OF THE PROPOSED TWO-WEEK VISIT (EDITORIAL AND PRODUCTION SCHEDULES RULING OUT ANY LONGER TOUR):
A. WASHINGTON: MEET WITH STATE AF OFFICIALS, MEMBERS AND STAFF OF CONGRESSIONAL SUBCOMMITTEES ON AFRICA.
B. PUERTO RICO: MEET WITH OFFICIALS, JOURNALISTS, ETC WITH VIEW TOWARD GAINING UNDERSTANDING OF RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN PUERTO RICO AND USA, AND NATURE AND STRENGTH OF INDEPENDENCE MOVEMENT.
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C. ATLANTA: MEET WITH MAYOR AND OTHERS, RELATING TO

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ISSUES OF "NEW SOUTH", RACIAL PROGRESS, ECONOMIC CONDI-
TIONS.
D. SAN FRANCISCO AND LOS ANGELES: PRIMARILY UNIVERSITY
VISITS, WITH EMPHASIS ON AFRICAN STUDY PROGRAMS.
E. NEW YORK: BRIEF VISIT TO RENEW ACQUAINTANCESHIPS.

4. ALTHOUGH ARS PARIS HAS NO REGULAR BUDGET FOR IV GRANTS,
WE ARE HOPEFUL THAT FUNDS CAN BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR THIS
SHORT AND RELATIVELY INEXPENSIVE PROJECT. ADVISE.
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